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HOUSE RESOLUTION

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WHEREAS, The members of the Illinois House of Representatives are saddened to learn of the death of Dorothy Boyd Sinclair of Peoria, who passed away on May 20, 2010; and

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WHEREAS, Dorothy was born April 21, 1929, in Adairsville, Georgia, the daughter of Thelma Satterfield Boyd and Robert Boyd; she married Henry Sinclair on April 18, 1955, in St. Louis, Missouri; she attended Cartersville High School in Cartersville, Georgia, and Georgia State College for Women, now Georgia College and State University, in Milledgeville, Georgia, receiving a B.S. with honors in chemistry; she earned a M.S. degree in chemistry at Wellesley University and was elected to the Sigma Xi scientific society; and

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WHEREAS, She had worked at Mallinckrodt Chemical Works in St. Louis, Missouri, and Beacon Chemical Company in Cambridge, Massachusetts; she was a laboratory instructor in chemistry at Illinois Central College in East Peoria; and she worked for the Peoria Historical Society; she was active in the League of Women Voters of Peoria, served two years as its president and six years as the Peoria City Council observer for its Local Government Study Group (LOGO); she spearheaded the LOGO's petition drive to change the manner of election to the Peoria City Council from a ward system to the present council/manager

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1 system with districts and council-at-large system; and

2 WHEREAS, She was elected to the Peoria City Council as a
3 council-at-large member in 1975 and was re-elected four times,
4 retiring in 1991; she ran unsuccessfully for mayor in 1989; she
5 was a member of the League of Women Voters of Peoria, the
6 Peoria Woman's Civic Federation, the American Association of
7 University Women, and the Peoria Women's Club; and

8 WHEREAS, She received many awards, including the Rhodell
9 Owens award, the Peoria's Tricentennial Commission award, the
10 YWCA's Legend and Outstanding Achievement Professions award,
11 the Betty Osborne award, and the Universalist Unitarian Church
12 Outstanding Service award; and

13 WHEREAS, Dorothy was the Peoria Historical Society's
14 administrative head for several years; she assisted in the
15 acquisition and moving of the Peoria Visitors Center (Powell
16 Press building); promoted, trained, and served as a tour guide
17 for historic trolley tours; and was a board member of
18 Tri-County Riverfront Action Forum, focusing on restoration of
19 the Illinois River and Peoria's riverfront; she made many
20 public lectures throughout the area on the history of Peoria's
21 distillery business, infamous criminal element, and Peoria's
22 historical leading women; and

1 WHEREAS, Dorothy Sinclair is survived by her husband,
2 Henry; her daughter, Claudia; and her son, Ian; therefore, be
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4 RESOLVED, BY THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES OF THE
5 NINETY-SIXTH GENERAL ASSEMBLY OF THE STATE OF ILLINOIS, that we
6 mourn, along with her family and friends, the passing of
7 Dorothy Sinclair; and be it further

8 RESOLVED, That a suitable copy of this resolution be
9 presented to the family of Dorothy Sinclair as a symbol of our
10 sincere sympathy.